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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

CLAIM 1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An ~~improved~~ mousepad, comprising a mousepad with one or more connectedly attached members at or near the edge of the ~~said~~ mousepad, said member or members anchored in and protruding above the surface of said mousepad in a roughly perpendicular fashion and providing a barrier to discourage mouse movement off that edge of said mousepad where said member or members is located.

CLAIM 2. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An ~~improved~~ mousepad, as in claim 1, wherein said member or members is in the shape of a hockey goal and said mousepad has the appearance of a full or partial hockey rink.

CLAIM 3. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An ~~improved~~ mousepad, as in claim 2, further comprising graphics or text, used for promotional purposes.

CLAIM 4. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An ~~improved~~ mousepad, as in claim 1, wherein said member or members is in the shape of a basketball post, backboard, and hoop and said mousepad has the appearance of a full or partial basketball court.

CLAIM 5. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An ~~improved~~ mousepad, as in claim 4, further comprising graphics or text used for promotional purposes.

CLAIM 6. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An ~~improved~~ mousepad, as in claim 1, wherein said member or members is in the shape of a golf hole, post, and flag and said mousepad has the appearance of a full or partial golf green.

CLAIM 7. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An ~~improved~~ mousepad, as in claim 6, further comprising graphics or text, used for promotional purposes.

CLAIM 8. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An ~~improved~~ mousepad, as in claim 1, wherein said member is in the shape of a football goalpost and said mousepad has the appearance of a full or partial football field.

CLAIM 9. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An ~~improved~~ mousepad, as in claim 8, further comprising graphics or text, used for promotional purposes.

CLAIM 10. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An ~~improved~~ mousepad, comprising a mousepad with one or more connectedly attached and raised members near the

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periphery of said mousepad, said member or members anchored into said mousepad and providing a barrier to mouse movement off that mousepad edge where said member or members are anchored is placed.

CLAIM 11. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An ~~improved~~ mousepad that can be used as an entertainment device, comprising: a mousepad resembling the playing surface of a sport in miniature and one or more miniature accessories used in said sport, used to play a facsimile of said sport.

CLAIM 12. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An ~~improved~~ mousepad that can be used as a promotional device, comprising a mousepad with one or more connectedly attached protruding members, whose shape, markings, and protruding member or members resemble ~~resembling~~ the playing ~~surface~~ area of a sport in miniature.

CLAIM 13. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An ~~improved~~ mousepad, as in claim 1, wherein said mousepad further comprises a porous surface that can be written on.

CLAIM 14. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An ~~improved~~ mousepad that can be used with an optical mouse, comprising a mousepad with one or more connectedly attached members at or near the edge of ~~the~~ said mousepad, said member or members anchored in and protruding above the surface of said mousepad in a roughly perpendicular fashion and providing a barrier to discourage the user from placing items on or over said mousepad.

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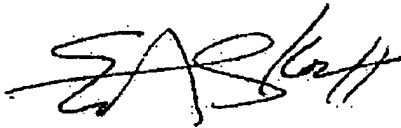
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